Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office Of The Governor

WHEREAS, South Dakota was founded with hard work, perseverance, dedication to duty and concern for one's fellow man; and,

WHEREAS, Merle Grav has devoted his life to the betterment of his community, the caring and sharing with family and friends, and the day-to-day giving and loving which make South Dakota a great state in which to live and work; and,

WHEREAS, Merle Grav has reached his 80th birthday, an occasion of joy and celebration; and,

WHEREAS, Merle has given much to South Dakota during his lifetime and it is fitting that we honor Merle on this momentous occasion; and,

WHEREAS, On behalf of a state grateful for the benefits derived from Merle Grav's years as a productive and outstanding citizen of South Dakota:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GEORGE S. MICKELSON, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim December 20, 1987, as

MERLE GRAV DAY

in South Dakota, and I join his many friends and relatives in wishing Merle a very happy birthday and many more years of health and happiness.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Seventeenth Day of December, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-Seven

GEORGE S. MICKELSON, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

JOYCE HAZELTINE, SECRETARY OF STATE